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SUBJECT: Air Force Amputee Returns to Flight Status

The attached article is a great news story and is very encouraging. An Air Force amputee has been medically cleared to return to flight status. After surgery and 500 hours of physical therapy, Lt Col Andrew Lourake will remain on active duty with the use of a high-tech artificial limb. He is waiting for a formal training slot in order to requalify to fly. Kudos to the Air Force medical care program.

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Attachment: As stated

